Recovery Plan Action Status

Plan Name: Wheeler's Pepperomia

Plan Status: Final Plan Date: 26-Nov-90

Lead Agency: USFWS
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| Wheeler's peperomia (Peperomia wheeleri) | 1 | 1 | Continue exclusion of domestic fowl and cattle from the areas of known populations of Peperomia wheeleri | Ongoing Current | Prior to FY 1995 | FY 2011 | U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Endangered Species Division, Caribbean islands National Wildlife Refuge, FWS | Management | Contract, Internal Field Assistance, Volunteer | In coordination with other government agencies and cattle farmers |
| Wheeler's peperomia (Peperomia wheeleri) | 2 | 10 | Evaluate seed viability and germination requirements | Partially Complete | FY 2009 | FY 2011 | U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Endangered Species Division, Universities, Puerto Rico Department of Natural Resources, USFWS Regional Office 4 - Atlanta | Research: Propagation | Graduate Student, Internal Technical Assistance, Species Expert, Volunteer | In coordination with DNER and universities |
| Wheeler's peperomia (Peperomia wheeleri) | 2 | 11 | Evaluate seedling establishment & germination requirements | Partially Complete | FY 2009 | FY 2011 | U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Endangered Species Division, Universities, Puerto Rico Department of Natural Resources | Research: Management Techniques, Research: Propagation | Graduate Student, Internal Field Assistance, Internal Technical Assistance, Species Expert, Volunteer | In coordination with DNER and universities |
| Wheeler's peperomia (Peperomia wheeleri) | 2 | 12 | Evaluate role of vegetative regeneration | Partially Complete | Prior to FY 1995 | FY 2011 | Botanical Gardens, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Endangered Species Division, Universities, Puerto Rico Department of Natural Resources | | Graduate Student, Internal Field Assistance, Internal Technical Assistance, Species Expert | In coordination with DNER, local botanical garden, and universities |
| Wheeler's peperomia (Peperomia wheeleri) | 2 | 13 | Evaluate relative feasibility of propagation from seed vs. cuttings | Partially Complete | FY 2008 | FY 2011 | Botanical Gardens, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Endangered Species Division, Universities, Puerto Rico Department of Natural Resources | | Graduate Student, Internal Technical Assistance, Species Expert | In coordination with DNER, local botanical garden, and universities |

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| Wheeler's peperomia (Peperomia wheeleri) | 2 | 14 | Determine feasibility of ex situ production of seed and cuttings | Ongoing Current | FY 2007 | FY 2011 | Botanical Gardens, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Endangered Species Division, Universities, Puerto Rico Department of Natural Resources | Research: Propagation | Contract, Graduate Student, Internal Field Assistance, Internal Technical Assistance, Species Expert, Volunteer | In coordination with DNER, local botanical garden, and universities |
| Wheeler's peperomia (Peperomia wheeleri) | 2 | 15 | Assess habitat suitability | Partially Complete | FY 2007 | FY 2011 | U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Endangered Species Division, Universities, Caribbean islands National Wildlife Refuge, FWS, Puerto Rico Department of Natural Resources | Research: Habitat Requirements, Research: Habitat Status | Graduate Student, Internal Field Assistance, Species Expert, Volunteer | In coordination with DNER and universities |
| Wheeler's peperomia (Peperomia wheeleri) | 2 | 16 | Assess site protection | Ongoing Current | FY 2007 | FY 2011 | U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Endangered Species Division, Caribbean islands National Wildlife Refuge, FWS, Puerto Rico Department of Natural Resources | Acquisition: Management Agreement | Contract, Graduate Student, Internal Field Assistance, Internal Technical Assistance, Species Expert, Volunteer | In coordination with DNER |
| Wheeler's peperomia (Peperomia wheeleri) | 2 | 17 | Determine number of populations & individuals necessary to ensure species' self-perpetuation | Ongoing Not Current | FY 2009 | FY 2011 | U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Endangered Species Division, Universities, Caribbean islands National Wildlife Refuge, FWS, Puerto Rico Department of Natural Resources | Research: Population Assessment, Research: Reintroduction | Graduate Student, Internal Administrative, Internal Field Assistance, Internal Technical Assistance, Species Expert, Volunteer | In coordination with universities |
| Wheeler's peperomia (Peperomia wheeleri) | 2 | 18 | Determine what additional actions are necessary to achieve recovery goals | Ongoing Current | FY 2007 | FY 2011 | U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Endangered Species Division, Caribbean islands National Wildlife Refuge, FWS, Puerto Rico Department of Natural Resources | Other: Administration | Internal Administrative, Internal Technical Assistance | In coordination with DNER |

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| Wheeler's peperomia (Peperomia wheeleri) | 1 | 2 | Monitor known populations | Ongoing Not Current | FY 2007 | FY 2011 | U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Endangered Species Division, Caribbean islands National Wildlife Refuge, FWS, Puerto Rico Department of Natural Resources | Management: Population Monitoring, Research: Population Assessment, Research: Population Surveys | Contract, Graduate Student, Internal Field Assistance, Internal Technical Assistance, Species Expert, Volunteer | In coordination with DNER, and universities |
| Wheeler's peperomia (Peperomia wheeleri) | 1 | 3 | Enforce existing Commonwealth endangered species regulations | Ongoing Current | Prior to FY 1995 | FY 2011 | U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Endangered Species Division, Caribbean islands National Wildlife Refuge, FWS, Puerto Rico Department of Natural Resources, USFWS Regional Office 4 - Atlanta | Other: Law Enforcement, Other: Regulations | Internal Technical Assistance | DNER performs these action |
| Wheeler's peperomia (Peperomia wheeleri) | 2 | 4 | Educate public on plant conservation and regulations | Ongoing Current | Prior to FY 1995 | FY 2011 | U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Endangered Species Division, Universities, Caribbean islands National Wildlife Refuge, FWS, Puerto Rico Department of Natural Resources, USFWS Regional Office 4 - Atlanta | Other: Information and Education | Internal Administrative, Internal Field Assistance, Species Expert, Volunteer | Species is included in public education programs |
| Wheeler's peperomia (Peperomia wheeleri) | 2 | 5 | Identify and inventory potential sites | Ongoing Current | FY 2008 | FY 2011 | U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Endangered Species Division, Universities, Caribbean islands National Wildlife Refuge, FWS, Puerto Rico Department of Natural Resources, USFWS Regional Office 4 - Atlanta | Research: Habitat Status, Research: Other Information | Contract, Graduate Student, Internal Field Assistance, Internal Technical Assistance, Species Expert, Volunteer | In coordination with DNER, local non- government organizations, and universitiesis |
| Wheeler's peperomia (Peperomia wheeleri) | 2 | 6 | Characterize sites to determine their suitability for future recovery actions | Partially Complete | FY 2007 | FY 2011 | U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Endangered Species Division, Puerto Rico Department of Natural Resources | Research | Contract, Internal Field Assistance, Internal Technical Assistance, Species Expert, Volunteer | In coordination with DNER |

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| Wheeler's peperomia (Peperomia wheeleri) | 2 | 7 | Define habitat requirements | Partially Complete | FY 2007 | FY 2011 | U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Endangered Species Division, Universities, Caribbean islands National Wildlife Refuge, FWS, Puerto Rico Department of Natural Resources | Research, Research: Habitat Requirements | Graduate Student, Internal Field Assistance, Internal Technical Assistance, Species Expert, Volunteer | In coordination with DNER and universities |
| Wheeler's peperomia (Peperomia wheeleri) | 2 | 8 | Assess periodicity of flowering & pollination mechanisms | Partially Complete | FY 2007 | FY 2011 | Botanical Gardens, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Endangered Species Division, Universities, Puerto Rico Department of Natural Resources, USFWS Regional Office 4 - Atlanta | Research | Assistance, Internal | In coordination with DNER, local botanical garden, and universities |
| Wheeler's peperomia (Peperomia wheeleri) | 2 | 9 | Assess seed production & dispersal | Ongoing Not Current | FY 2008 | FY 2011 | U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Endangered Species Division, Universities, Caribbean islands National Wildlife Refuge, FWS, Puerto Rico Department of Natural Resources | Research: Other Information, Research: Propagation, Research: Reintroduction | | In coordination with DNER and universities |